# Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services 2015 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center 701 South Berkley Road Kokomo, Indiana 46901

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Subsequent Visit Date: August 31, 2015

Technical Assistance Date: October 28, 2015

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#### INTRODUCTION

Due to new Indiana Juvenile Detention Standards being promulgated with the intent to implement in 2016, the Facility Inspection will consist of a review of <u>only the 26 mandatory compliance standards</u>. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards is required to attain "Full Compliance" in accordance with the aforementioned code. The Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services provided five (5) Training Sessions and technical assistance to assist facilities coming into compliance with the new standards.

Therefore, the 19<sup>th</sup> annual evaluation of the Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center had three components: inspection for compliance with the 26 mandatory standards located in 210 IAC 6; participation in trainings on the new detention center standards to take effect in 2016; and participation in technical assistance offerings for compliance with the new detention center

standards.

### **FACILITY INFORMATION**

| <b>Facility county</b>                    | Howard                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Governing authority                       | Howard Circuit Court                                          |
| Name of facility administrator            | Jeff Lipinski                                                 |
| <b>Detention facility's mission</b>       | The Howard Circuit Court, Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center,      |
|                                           | is established to provide short-term secure, non-secure       |
|                                           | emergency shelter care, and long-term residential care for    |
|                                           | juveniles who are ordered detained or sheltered by the court  |
|                                           | through hardships. These services will be provided through    |
|                                           | secure, emergency shelter care, long term residential         |
|                                           | treatment at both the pre and post adjudicatory stages and    |
|                                           | throughout hardships and post dispositional secure            |
|                                           | commitments.                                                  |
| Rated capacity                            | 28                                                            |
| Population on date of audit               | 19                                                            |
| Average daily population for the last 12  | 17.88                                                         |
| months                                    | =                                                             |
| Average length of stay for the last 12    | 14.57 days                                                    |
| months                                    |                                                               |
| Year the building was built               | 1991                                                          |
| Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e.     | Painted rooms, padded isolation, linens are purchased         |
| painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings) | annually                                                      |
| Major upgrades since last audit (i.e.     | Lighting, cameras, hood fire system in kitchen, tile, carpet, |
| plumbing, electrical, security system)    | new radios                                                    |
| De-escalation techniques training         | Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI)                          |
| Physical force techniques training        | Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI)                          |
| Chemical agents permitted                 | Yes                                                           |
| Name of food service provider             | Cisco, Stanz                                                  |
| Name of food service supervisor           | Diana Kendall                                                 |
| Name of health care authority individual  | Linda Sardin, RN                                              |
| or agency and license/certification       |                                                               |
| Name of mental health care authority      | Mary K. Cates-Cullison, LCSW, LCAC                            |
| individual or agency and                  |                                                               |
| license/certification                     |                                                               |

## INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 26 MANDATORY STANDARDS

| Auditors                                  | Chance Sweat, Kristin Herrmann, and Kellie Whitcomb                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| File Review of the 26 mandatory standards | <ul> <li>Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable, and zero (0) mandatory standards were found to be non-compliant.</li> <li>Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards.</li> </ul> |  |
| <b>Facility Tour</b>                      | The Center was found to be clean, orderly, and well-maintained.                                                                                                                                                                           |  |
| Youth Interviews                          | Three youth, one female and two male, were interviewed about their                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
|                                           | experiences at the Center.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |

|                 | • | All youth reported feeling safe at the facility and knowing the rules. |
|-----------------|---|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                 | • | Youth did not share complaints or recommendations.                     |
| Recommendations | • | Highlight relevant policy, procedure, and information in the documents |
|                 |   | proving practice to show compliance with the standard.                 |
|                 | • | Number bulleted points to correspond with the standard requirements.   |
|                 | • | Include proof of practice to meet the standard requirements.           |
|                 |   |                                                                        |

#### SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)

On 8/31/2015, a subsequent visit was conducted of the Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center by Chance Sweat. Mrs. Derrick advised she has started working on the new detention standards requirements. The facility tour was conducted by Mrs. Derrick. Youth were observed participating education classes. The facility's population was 21. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and sanitation was found to be satisfactory. The food service inventory records were accurate, up-to-date, and very organized; new kitchen equipment had been purchased. Michelle Allen (former case worker) is the new food service department director. Ms. Allen advised the center is planning to use a Farm to Table menu and build a raised garden box.

#### PARTICIPATION IN NEW DETENTION CENTER STANDARDS TRAINING

| Introduction to the new standards                    | Kathy Cullison, Assistant Facility Director |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Preparing for an Inspection                          | Tracey Derrick, Secure Detention Director   |
| Administration and Management Standards              |                                             |
| January 13 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2015 |                                             |
| Safety Standards                                     | Jeff Lipinski, Facility Director            |
| Security Standards                                   | Tracey Derrick, Secure Detention Director   |
| March 10, 2015                                       | Ray Collins, Shift Supervisor               |
|                                                      |                                             |
| Programs and Services Standards                      | Kathy Cullison, Assistant Facility Director |
| Education Standards                                  | Tracey, Derrick, Secure Detention Director  |
| June 2, 2015                                         |                                             |
| Medical Standards                                    | Kathy Cullison, Assistant Facility Director |
| Mental Health Care Standards                         | Tracey Derrick, Secure Detention Director   |
| July 21, 2015                                        | Linda Sardin, Registered Nurse              |
| Food Service and Hygiene Standards                   | Tracey Derrick, Secure Detention Director   |
| Justice and Order Standards                          | Leah Sand                                   |
| <b>September 29, 2015</b>                            | Michelle Allen                              |

#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center's technical assistance visit occurred on October 28, 2015 and was conducted by Chance Sweat and Amy Karozos. The facility was asked to prepare 10 standard files for review. The technical assistance provided included reviewing the 10 files presented and addressing the facility's plan to maintain compliance with the education, medical, and mental health standards. Future technical assistance will be offered in 2016, or as requested

by the facility.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center is in full compliance with the 2015 Indiana Detention Center Standards Audit performed by the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services.

A certificate of compliance will accompany this report, which becomes public information ten (10) days from the date of mailing.

Please contact me at (317) 607-6507 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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